

## SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please delete the paragraph at page 1 lines 8-11 of the application and insert the following therefor:

This application claims benefit of our co-pending provisional application Serial No. 60/180,373, filed February 4, 2000, and entitled "MULTI-GRADE OBJECT SORTING SYSTEM AND METHOD", the details of which are incorporated herein by reference. This application also is a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/301,715, filed April 29, 1999, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SENSING WHITE PAPER", by Bruner et al., now U.S. Patent No. 6,369,882 issued April 9, 2002.